

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 1400 - SB 1473**

March 15, 2019

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates 11 assistant district attorney general positions, 10 secretarial positions, 4 victim-witness coordinator positions, and 5 criminal investigator positions. Requires the District Attorneys General Conference to complete a report with recommendations regarding the specific judicial districts in which such positions should be designated and file such report with the Speakers of the House or Representatives and the Senate by October 1, 2019. Upon the filing of such report, authorizes the district attorneys general to interview and employ persons to fill such positions.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – \$1,740,600/FY19-20**

**Exceeds \$2,136,700/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years**

**Assumptions:**

- The proposed legislation will result in the addition of 11 assistant district attorney general positions, 10 secretarial positions, 4 victim-witness coordinator positions, and 5 criminal investigator positions
- The proposed legislation requires a report for the proposed placement of the 30 positions (11 ADAs + 10 secretaries + 4 victim-witness coordinators + 5 criminal investigators) be filed by October 1, 2019. This analysis assumes the report will be filed and employees will be hired on October 1, 2019.
- Hiring individuals on October 1, 2019 will result in expenditures for approximately 75 percent of FY19-20; therefore, the estimated impact of this analysis represents 75 percent of FY19-20 and 100 percent of FY 20-21 and subsequent years.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-7-201, § 8-7-226, and § 8-7-230, assistant district attorney generals receive step raises each year; therefore, this analysis estimates the impact of hiring such positions in FY19-20 and estimates the impact of any subsequent year to exceed the impact of FY19-20.
- The one-time increase in state expenditures in FY19-20 relative to the 30 additional positions is \$138,000 for [(\$2,800 office furniture + \$1,800 computers) x 30].
- The total increase in state expenditures for FY19-20 is estimated to be \$1,740,550 {[((\$1,428,358 salary + \$552,275 benefits + \$62,300 travel + \$3,000 printing + \$15,800 communication + \$60,000 rentals + \$15,000 supplies) x 75%) + \$138,000}.

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- The total recurring increase in state expenditures beginning in FY20-21 is estimated to exceed \$2,136,733 (\$1,428,358 salary + \$552,275 benefits + \$62,300 travel + \$3,000 printing + \$15,800 communication + \$60,000 rentals + \$15,000 supplies).

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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